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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

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Applicant has reviewed the Office Action mailed on July 1, 2005. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

This response is accompanied by a Petition, as well as the appropriate fee, to obtain a three-month extension of the period for responding to the Office action, thereby moving the deadline for response from October 1, 2005 to January 1, 2006. Since January 1, 2006 was a Sunday, and since January 2, 2006 was a Federal holiday, the deadline for response was moved to January 3, 2006 under 35 U.S.C. §21.

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